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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Mickey A. Randle, DOB: 4/12/72, Madison, Wisconsin, was sentenced today in U.S. District Court in Madison to 33 years and four months in federal prison without parole.

Randle previously pleaded guilty to a charge that he possessed with the intent to distribute on December 20, 1999, five grams of crack cocaine. Randle was arrested on that date, but agreed to cooperate with law enforcement officers in a continuing drug investigation. The defendant then managed to escape from the officers. He was finally arrested on July 6, 2005, in the Northern District of Indiana.

In sentencing Randle, U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz found that Randle's total offense conduct involved over 1.5 kilograms of crack cocaine; Judge Shabaz also increased Randle's sentence after finding that he obstructed justice by escaping from the law enforcement officers after lying to them about his willingness to cooperate.

United States Attorney Sinnott stated that today's sentencing was the result of an investigation conducted by the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney John W. Vaudreuil.

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